

# Wayne Allard

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## **SENATOR ALLARD SECURES \$16 MILLION FOR COLORADO SPRINGS HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENTS**

WASHINGTON, D.C. – U.S. Senator Wayne Allard (R-CO), Chairman of the Senate Housing and Transportation Subcommittee, has secured \$16 million for improvements to Colorado Springs-area highways in the final version of the transportation authorization bill that emerged from a conference committee on Wednesday. The transportation bill is expected to be approved by the House and Senate by Friday and signed into law by President Bush early next week.

The bill provides \$8 million for the Woodmen Road/Powers Boulevard Interchange, \$3 million for Phase One of the I-25/Highway 16 Interchange at Fort Carson and \$5 million for improvements to I-25 from the Douglas/Arapahoe County line to Monument Hill.

Senator Allard was a member of the House-Senate Conference Committee that ironed out differences between the U.S. House and Senate versions of the transportation legislation and secured a total of \$110 million for specific transportation projects.

“More than three years of hard work and negotiations on the transportation bill have paid off for the Pikes Peak Region, with \$16 million specifically directed to the region in the bill,” said Senator Allard. “The Colorado Springs area has been experiencing rapid growth for years, and the transportation bill is going to help the infrastructure expand to accommodate it.”

“Colorado’s transportation needs continue to grow,” added Senator Allard. “As a member of the conference committee, I was pleased to be able to secure \$110 million for a long list of critically-needed highway projects throughout Colorado.”

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